

Delta Stewardship Council Committee Meeting: Early Actions Review

A committee of the Delta Stewardship Council will review and consider proposed **early actions for possible inclusion in the Interim Plan** . The meeting is open to the public.

Date/Time: Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 14-15, 2010 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (Ending time is approximate for both days depending on volume of work.)

Location: Delta Stewardship Council, 650 Capitol Mall, 5th Floor Delta Room, Sacramento, CA 95814

(Attendees must pass through federal security. Please be prepared to show photo ID. Cameras, including cell phones or laptop computers with cameras, are not allowed in the building.)

Call-In: Those who are unable to attend the meeting in person are invited to attend via telephone by calling (916) 574-1399.

Charge: The Council has established a two-member "early actions" committee to review possible early actions and make recommendations to the full Council (Water Code §85210(k)). The committee, made up of Council Chair Phil Isenberg and Council Member Randy Fiorini, with Council Member Felicia Marcus as an alternate, will review possible early actions identified in Part 2 of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009 and on the schedule in the Council's work plan. This early actions committee will consider possible early actions in public meetings, and will develop an agenda with designated time limits to ensure completing the reviews in the time allotted.

Application Process: Applications are due by 4:00 p.m. Friday, Sept. 3, 2010 to meet a ten (10) day public posting requirement before the scheduled committee meeting on September 14-15. If an application is deemed incomplete, the item will be removed from the agenda and may be rescheduled at the discretion of the council committee. To promote efficient review of potential early actions, project proponents must submit materials electronically and deliver ten (10) hard copies to the Council offices. Applications and related materials will be posted to the Council website.

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Each application will be reviewed by Council staff or consultants in advance of the committee meeting. Each application will also be reviewed by the Delta Science Program staff to identify the adequacy of scientific information available to support a committee recommendation and Council action using the standard of "best available science" required in statute and specified in the Interim Plan. If they judge the available scientific information inadequate, they may make a recommendation for any needed additional scientific information. The committee will consider the Delta Science Program staff comments in making its recommendation to the full Council.

Who May Apply: Applications should be submitted pursuant to Table 4-1 of the Interim Plan. Table 4-1 starts on Page 36 of the Interim Plan. An application form for consideration of a plan or project is available in Appendix B of the Interim Plan. Appendix B starts on Page B-1 of the Interim Plan. Both Table 4-1 and Appendix B are located within the Interim Plan, which can be found at this web address:

http://www.deltacouncil.ca.gov/docs/Final_Interim_Plan_REVISED_100827_Redline.pdf In addition, individuals or agencies that have actions they consider urgently needed in advance of the October Council meeting may submit an application that will be considered at the September meeting.

Public Comments: Public comments on the applications are invited following the schedule outlined above. They should be submitted by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 9, 2010.

Committee Recommendation Process: The committee will make recommendations on possible early actions to the full Council in a brief report.